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Applicant: Bitler

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Examiner: Szekely, P.

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Title: Polymeric Thickeners for Oil-Containing Compositions

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

REPLY

Sir,

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed June 6, 2001 which is a final rejection. Reconsideration, reexamination and allowance are respectfully requested in view of the Amendments and Remarks below. As the Examiner will see, Applicant has made the amendment suggested by the Examiner to place the application in condition for allowance.

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